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PASS FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO MR. H.C. MINOR AT TEXACO, CORAL GABLES
FLA, TELEX NUMBER 51-8764

DEPT FOR AF/C H. COHEN

E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJECT: ECONOMIC MEASURES

QUOTE

KIN-303 TODAY AT 12:30 INDUSTRY WAS INFORMED BY COMMISSAIRE
DETAT OF MINES THAT LETTER HAD BEEN SENT TO INDUSTRY CONFIRMING
MEASURES TAKEN BY GOVERNMENT STOP LETTER SINCE RECEIVED AND
TRANSLATION OF ENTIRE LETTER BELOW QUOTE

WE HAVE THE HONOUR TO CONFIRM THE CONVERSATION WHICH WE
HAD WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 19, 1973 DURING WHICH WE HAVE OFFICIALLY
NOTIFIED YOU OF THE DECISION TAKEN BY THE POLITICAL BUREAU
AND THE COMMISSION EXECUTIVE NATIONALE IN PETROLEUM MATTERS.

FOR A BETTER APPLICATION WE WISH TO FORMALIZE HEREAFTER THE
DECISION OF THE STATE THE CONSEQUENCES OF WHICH ARE
FOR YOUR RESPECTIVE COMPANIES AND THE ROLE WHICH YOU ARE
TEMPORARILY CALLED UPON TO PLAY UNTIL FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS.

1) MEANWHILE THE ZAIRE WILL TREAT FROM GOVERNMENT TO GOVERNMENT
WITH THE PRODUCING COUNTRIES FOR THAT WHICH IT NEEDS.

ZAIRE WILL HANDLE ALSO THE TRANSPORT OF THESE PRODUCTS
FROM THE SOURCE AND ASSURE THE DISTRIBUTION THROUGHOUT ZAIRE.

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2) THEN, YOUR COMPANIES WHICH UP TO NOW WERE HANDLING IMPORTATION, EXPORTATION, AND STORAGE AND ALL DISTRIBUTION OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS ARE NO LONGER NEEDED. HOWEVER, YOUR DIFFERENT COMPANIES BEING THE OWNERS OF THE EQUIPMENT FOR TRANSPORT, STORAGE AND SERVICE STATIONS, THE ZAIRE IS DISPOSED TO ACQUIRE THESE INSTALLATIONS AT AN INTRINSIC VALUE (VEWEUR INTRINSEQUE) AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1973, REQUESTED BY A COMMISSION WHICH THE COMMISSION EXECUTIVE NATIONALE WILL CREATE SOON.

3) FOR THAT WE REQUEST YOU TO FURNISH US THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS:

A) THE STATUTS, ORGANIZATION CHARTS AND AGREEMENTS

B) THE BALANCE SHEETS OF THE 6 PREVIOUS YEARS

C) AMORTIZATION CALCULATION USED DURING THAT PERIOD.

D) THE PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENTS FOR THE 6 PREVIOUS YEARS.

E) THE INITIAL CAPITAL BROUGHT IN AT THE CREATION OF THE COMPANY.

F) THE SITUATION OF YOUR TREASURY AS OF DECEMBER 1, 1973

G) ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS WHICH THE COMMISSION MAY FIND USEFUL TO ACCOMPLISH ITS MISSION.

5) AS THE COMMISSION EXECUTIVE NATIONALE CANNOT ACCEPT ANY RUPTURE OF STOCK THE AUTHORIZATION IS GIVEN TO YOU TO CONTINUE TO PASS ORDERS TO YOUR TRADITIONAL SUPPLIERS HOWEVER, YOU ARE MEANWHILE REQUESTED TO INFORM US REGULARLY OF THE STOCKS, THE SUPPLY PROGRAMS, THE IDENTITY OF THE TANKERS AND THE DATE OF ARRIVAL.

IT GOES WITHOUT SAYING THAT THE COMMISSION EXECUTIVE NATIONALE GIVES YOU THE AUTHORIZATION TO CONTINUE TO ENSURE THE CURRENT NEEDS OF ZAIRE UNTIL FEBRUARY 28, 1974 INCLUSIVE AND THAT AT THE UNCHANGED UNIFORM PRICE (PRIX UNIQUE) (OF) PRODUCTS SOLD.
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6) THE DECISION OF THE STATE FOR THE PETROLEUM PRODUCTS WILL NOT AFFECT THE AGREEMENTS WHICH THE COMMISSION EXECUTIVE NATIONALE HAS SIGNED WITH CERTAIN COMPANIES REGARDING EXPLORATION FOR PETROLEUM.

IT IS IN THAT SPIRITY THAT THE COMMISSION EXECUTIVE NATIONALE COUNTS ON YOUR GOOD UNDERSTANDING AND (WOULD) WELCOME

FAVORABLY ALL OFFERS OF COLLABORATION OF ANYBODY WHO
WISHES TO EXPRESS SUCH A DESIRE.

SIGNED

COMMISSAIRE D'ETAT A L'ENERGIE
COMMISSAIRE D'ETAT AUX MINES

IN ADDITION TO LETTER COMMISSAIRE D'ETAT SAID FOLLOWING
AAA ZAIRE GOVERNMENT HAD NOT FOUND TANKERS AS YET AND
THEREFORE HAD CHANGED DATE OF PETROLEUM COMPANIES
RESPONSIBILITY FOR SUPPLYING TO 0228

BBB CONTRARY TO LETTER COMMISSAIRE SAID THAT OLD PRICES WOULD
STAY IN EFFECT UNTIL QUOTE NEW INSTRUCTIONS FROM GOVERNMENT
UNQUOTE THUS LEAVING DOOR OPEN TO DISCUSSION STOP LETTER
SEEMS TO STATE OFFICIAL POSITION.

CCC COMMISSAIRE REQUESTED US TO INFORM HIM IF ALL EXPATRIATES
WOULD LIKE TO STAY AND WORK FOR GOVERNMENT AT THEIR PRESENT
COMPENSATION STOP HE IMPLIED THAT IT WOULD BE WORTHWHILE
FOR PERSONNEL TO STAY ON QUOTE IN ORDER TO ENSURE THAT THERE
WERE SUFFICIENT FUNDS AVAILABLE TO PAY COMPENSATION TO
COMPANIES WHICH WOULD BE DONE ON SEVERAL PAYMENTS
UNQUOTE.

DDD GOVERNMENT CONCERNED ABOUT SUPPLIES TO SHABA REGION
THROUGH LOBITO BOTH FROM A PURE SUPPLY SITUATION AND FROM
AFFECTS POSSIBLE ON ANGOLA OF ARAB BLOCKAGE.

INDUSTRY IS PRESENTLY CALCULATING HOW LONG PRESENT STOCKS
PLUS WARP TANKERS ALREADY ANNOUNCED WILL LAST WHICH IS
PROBABLY ENOUGH UNTIL 0228 FOR MOST PRODUCTS STOP OUR
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